(ii) *Assay procedures.* Use either of the following methods; however, the results obtained from the iodometric assay shall be conclusive.

(*a*) *Microbiological agar diffusion assay*. Proceed as directed in § 436.105 of this chapter, diluting an aliquot of the stock solution with solution 1 to the reference concentration of 1.0 unit of penicillin G per milliliter (estimated).

(*b*) *Iodometric assay*. Proceed as directed in § 436.204 of this chapter, diluting an aliquot of the stock solution with solution 1 to the prescribed concentration.

(2) *Loss on drying.* Proceed as directed in § 436.200(b) of this chapter.

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## Subpart C—Injectable Dosage Forms

### § 440.201 Sterile azlocillin sodium.

The requirements for certification and the tests and methods of assay for sterile azlocillin sodium packaged for dispensing are described in § 440.1a.

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### § 440.202 Sterile amdinocillin.

The requirements for certification and the tests and methods of assay for sterile amdinocillin packaged for dispensing are described in § 440.2a.

[50 FR 7766, Feb. 26, 1985]

### § 440.207 Sterile ampicillin trihydrate for suspension.

(a) *Requirements for certification*—(1) *Standards of identity, strength, quality, and purity*. Sterile ampicillin trihydrate for suspension is a dry mixture of ampicillin trihydrate and one or more suitable and harmless buffer substances, stabilizers, suspending agents, and preservatives. Its potency is satisfactory if it is not less than 90 percent and not more than 120 percent of the number of milligrams of ampicillin that it is represented to contain. It is sterile. It is nonpyrogenic. Its loss on drying is not less than 11.4 percent and not more than 14.0 percent. When reconstituted as directed in the labeling, its pH is not less than 5.0 and not more than 7.0. The ampicillin trihydrate used conforms to the standards prescribed by § 440.7a(a)(1) of this chapter.

(2) *Labeling.* In addition to the labeling requirements prescribed by § 432.5 of this chapter, this drug shall be labeled ''sterile ampicillin for suspension.''

(3) *Requests for certification; samples.* In addition to complying with the requirements of § 431.1 of this chapter, each such request shall contain:

(i) Results of tests and assays on:

(*a*) The ampicillin trihydrate used in making the batch for potency, loss on drying, pH, ampicillin content, concordance, crystallinity, and identity.

(*b*) The batch for potency, sterility, pyrogens, loss on drying, and pH.

(ii) Samples required:

(*a*) The ampicillin trihydrate used in making the batch: 10 packages, each containing approximately 300 milligrams.

(*b*) The batch:

(*1*) For all tests except sterility: A minimum of 12 immediate containers.

(*2*) For sterility testing: 20 immediate containers, collected at regular intervals throughout each filling operation.

(b) *Tests and methods of assay*—(1) *Potency*—(i) *Sample preparation.* Reconstitute as directed in the labeling. Using a suitable hypodermic needle and syringe, remove all of the withdrawable contents if it is represented as a single-dose container, or, if the labeling specifies the amount of potency in a given volume of the resultant preparation, remove an accurately measured representative portion from each container. Dilute the resultant solution with 0.1*M* potassium phosphate buffer, pH 8.0 (solution 3), for the microbiological agar diffusion assay, or distilled water for the iodometric assay, to give a stock solution of convenient concentration.

(ii) *Assay procedures.* Use either of the following methods; however, the results obtained from the microbiological agar diffusion assay shall be conclusive.

(*a*) *Microbiological agar diffusion assay*. Proceed as directed in § 436.105 of this chapter, diluting an aliquot of the stock solution with solution 3 to the reference concentration of 0.1 microgram of ampicillin per milliliter.